

Art Unit: 3652

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mark Passler on Sept 30, 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

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In claim 1, line 4, the word "the" before "body" has been changed to -- a --,

In line 12, the second "is" before "arranged" has been deleted,

In line 12, the word "the" after "pushed into" has been changed to -- a --,

In line 14, the word "the" before "spring" has been ^{changed} ~~changed~~ to -- a --,

In line 17, the word "the" before "actuating" has been changed to -- a --;

In claim 2, line 2, the word "a" before "recess" has been changed to -- the --;

In claim 3, line 2, the word "device" after "spring" has been deleted,

In line 2, the word "which" before "spring" has been changed to -- wherein said --, and

In line 3, the word "device" before "pre-tensions" has been deleted.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Helwig '902 or the European Publication '228 does not teach or suggest the locking device is a locking pawl being arranged to be pushed into the locking bolt recess by an applied resultant force that is opposite of and greater than the pre-tensioning force effected by the spring device wherein the locking pawl is arranged to be driven into the locking bolt recess by a force transferred from an actuating lever via a rope, and wherein